

## Equality Impact Assessment Report

<b>Name of policy, procedure or function: Internal Audit Protocol</b>			
<b>Service Area: Risk Management</b>	<b>Team Members: Karen Sullivan, Louise Hall</b>		<b>Date: Sept 2006</b>
<b>Findings</b>			
<p><b>General</b></p> <p>The internal audit system is in place to ensure that robust reviews take place of all council services and value for money is ensured to residents of the Borough. Efficient and effective internal audits will ensure that good services are delivered equally to all residents.</p> <p><b>Specific Equality Areas</b></p> <p>The policy of carrying out audits does not have equality implications but it is important that any particular audit, when carried out, addresses any equalities issues that might arise from the service that is being audited.</p>			
<b>Further Actions</b>			
Equalities issues for services may be missed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Standard audit / review progress to consider equalities issues during reviews</li> <li>Guidance Document to make reference to this for the team (Risk Management)</li> </ul>	Head of Performance & Audit  Head of Performance & Audit	Apr 07  Apr 07
Lack of information about Audits from 'customers'	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consultation – to gather more general feedback about the service. Addressed to SMT and CMT meetings</li> </ul>	Head of Performance & Audit	Apr 07